IL-38 Aircraft Collision In Goa

784. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two Russian Ilyushin-38 maritime reconnaissance aircraft collided in mid air during an air show killing 16 people near INS Hansa Naval Airbase in Goa;

(b) if so, the details of the incident;

(c) whether any enquiry has been ordered to look into the whole incident; and

(d) if so, whether the Committee has submitted its report and the results of the report ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) On 1st October, 2002, during the fly past to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of Indian Naval Air Squadron—315, two IL-38 aircraft collided in mid air resulting in both aircraft *viz* IN-302 and IN-304 crashing. The number of casualties is as follows :—

(i) 12 Naval personnel who were the crew of aircraft.

(ii) 10 civilians.

(c) and (d) A Board of Inquiry has been constituted to investigate into the accident. The report of the Board of Inquiry is awaited.

Phasing out of MiGS

785. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH :

SHRI K. B. KRISHNA MURTHY :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 100 MiG-21s fighter jets have crashed so far due to various factors;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have conducted inquiry into each air crash and if so, what are the broad details of inquiry reports of each air craft crash; and

(d) whether Government propose to phase out these aircrafts and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir.

Courts of Inquiry are conducted in all the cases. The details of MIG-21 crashes for the last ten years along with the causes of accidents are given in the

Statement (*See* below).

(d) The safety of the MIG-21 aircraft has never been in doubt. As such, there is no proposal to phase out these aircraft on flight safety consideration. However, on account of expiry of total technical life and inadequate product support, the MIGs-21 inducted earlier are proposed to be phased out.

Statement

Details of MIG-21 crashes during last ten years

Year	MiG-21 CAT-I ACCIDENTS	TD	HE(A)	HE(S)	NOR	FOD	UR	BH
1992-93	11	3	5	—	—	—	—	3
1993-94	11	4	5	—	1	—	—	1
1994-95	13	5	5	—	—	—	1	2
1995-96	8	3	2	—	—	1	1	1
1996-97	9	7	1	—	—	—	—	1
1997-98	6	2	2	—	—	—	2	—
1998-99	10	3	6	—	—	—	1	—
1999-2000	13	5	4	1	—	—	1	2
2000-2001	12	2	7	1	—	—	—	2
2001-2002	7	3	3	—	—	—	—	1
2002-2003	10	7	3	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	110	44	43	2	1	1	6	13

TD	:	Technical Defect
HE (A)	:	Human Error (Aircrew)
HE (S)	:	Human Error (Servicing)
NOR	:	Normal Operational Risk
FOD	:	Foreign Object Damage
UR	:	Unresolved
BH	:	Bird Hit